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HONGKONG, FRIDAY, JUNE 28, 1878.

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AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL

For Sale.

LAMBERT, ATKINSON & CO.

HAVE FOR SALE.

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MACHINES, Assorted Sizes, New

System, with Automatic Lamp.

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SETS OF GARDENING UTENSILS.

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LETT'S DIARIES, for 1878.

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HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING

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PAID-UP CAPITAL.....5,000,000 Dollars.

RESERVE FUND.....1,000,000 Dollars.

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T. JACKSON,

Chief Manager.

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No. 1, Queen's Road East.

Hongkong, February 27, 1878.

CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUS-

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CAPITAL.....\$800,000.

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Bankers.

THE BANK OF ENGLAND.

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THE BANK'S BRANCH in HONGKONG

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chief Commercial places in Europe and the

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Local Bills discounted, and interest

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be ascertained on application.

NOTICES OF FIRE.

NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr.

S. J. DAVID in our Firm at this

Port, and in China, ceased on the

31st December, 1878.

E. D. SASSOON & CO.

Hongkong, June 14, 1878.

NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr.

ARTHUR CHART in our Firm

ceased on the 31st December last.

J. INGLIS & CO.

Hongkong, June 13, 1878.

NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr.

EDWARD CUNNINGHAM in our

Firm in Hongkong and China, ceased on

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RUSSELL & CO.

China, March 8, 1878.

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Intimations.

5th DRAWING.

Chinese Imperial 8 per cent. Loan of 1874.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that in conformity with the stipulation contained in the Bonds of this Loan, the following numbers of Bonds to be paid off at par, in Hongkong, on the 30th of June, and in London, on the 19th of August next, when the interest thereon will cease to be payable, were this day Drawn at the Offices of the HONKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, situate No. 31, Lombard Street, in this City, in the presence of Mr. WILLIAM NICHOLLS, Acting Accountant of the said Corporation, and of the undersigned Notary.

NUMBERS OF BONDS DRAWN.

31st Bonds Nos.—						
14	710	1405	2107	2809	3514	4203
36	723	1429	2121	2829	3521	4230
45	741	1442	2145	2857	3552	4268
76	767	1473	2167	2874	3566	4270
99	794	1487	2190	2898	3585	4281
105	814	1520	2214	2919	3617	4309
124	823	1534	2233	2926	3624	4336
144	844	1551	2243	2952	3646	4350
170	862	1577	2262	2980	3674	4372
195	887	1586	2283	2992	3696	4399
208	909	1601	2313	3009	3703	4401
221	935	1629	2331	3036	3730	4435
252	945	1660	2338	3050	3751	4451
263	966	1687	2362	3079	3765	4463
285	984	1700	2385	3098	3786	4468
305	1007	1717	2417	3118	3801	4510
324	1022	1730	2439	3136	3831	4538
354	1056	1757	2463	3157	3851	4549
377	1062	1771	2477	3165	3873	4566
389	1083	1786	2500	3191	3889	4598
416	1106	1805	2505	3207	3908	4606
437	1126	1827	2537	3231	3928	4631
448	1146	1846	2563	3251	3944	4654
461	1167	1864	2588	3272	3977	4675
498	1185	1882	2603	3300	3996	4685
509	1207	1903	2603	3320	4007	4713
522	1222	1925	2632	3327	4032	4738
554	1243	1952	2665	3342	4042	4756
577	1262	1969	2669	3379	4068	4768
585	1289	1986	2688	3393	4094	4783
620	1313	2017	2703	3408	4117	4809
632	1323	2027	2729	3438	4139	4826
643	1359	2033	2745	3448	4158	4849
678	1368	2068	2775	3463	4175	4864
693	1392	2100	2784	3499	4197	4882

For £100 Sterling each, = £31,400.

For the HONKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,

W.M. NICHOLLS,
Acting Accountant.

Countersigned,

W. W. VENN, Junior,
Notary Public.

2, Pope's Head Alley, Cornhill, E.C.

LONDON, 17th April, 1878.

THE EQUITABLE LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY OF THE UNITED STATES.

IMPERIAL MARITIME CUSTOMS.

CONTRACT FOR THE SUPPLY OF LIGHT-HOUSE OIL.

SEALED TENDERS will be received at this Office till July 31st next, for the Supply of 5000 Gallons VEGETABLE OIL for use at the LIGHT-HOUSEES in the Southern Division of China, for the Year 1878. Printed forms of Tender for each of the 3 following kinds of Oil can be had at this Office on application, viz:

1st TEA-NUT OIL.

2nd PEANUT OIL.

3rd RAPE-SEED OIL.

The Oil to be perfectly pure and unmixed, of the best quality and color, and quite free from all impurities and sediment, and is to be delivered at the Customs-Gridowm at Amoy in the following quantities, viz:

1000 Gallons on or before 1st November next, 1500 " " 1st December.

2500 " " 1st March, 1879.

The Oil as it is delivered will be measured at the Custom-House and 144 Imperial gallons will be taken to weigh 1 picul, and each Tender must be accompanied by a sample in a clear glass bottle of not less quantity than half a pint.

No Tender will be accepted on any other forms than those issued from this Office.

The Covers to be headed "Tender for Light-house Oil."

The Commissioner does not pledge himself to accept the lowest or any Tender.

R. B. MOOREHEAD,
Commissioner of Customs.

Custom House, Amoy, 15th June, 1878.

and

Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debts contracted by the Officers or Crew of the following Vessels, during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:—

AMERICA, British steamer, Captain J. Graham.—Birley & Co.

ANTIS LOBWA, British barque, Captain B. Galea.—Borneo Co., Limited.

WE. H. DEITE, American 3-m. schooner, Captain I. S. Endicott.—Meyer & Co.

MARIA BROCKELMANN, German barque, Captain Knuth.—Meyer & Co.

JEAN PIERRE, French barque, Captain Legrasse.—Carlowitz & Co.

TYSONIA, British barque, Capt. Robert Goldie.—Olyphant & Co.

HIMOSTAR, British ship, Captain Joshua Belyea.—P. & O. S. N. Co.

NOTICE.

THE Interests and Responsibility of the Undersigned in the Chinese Mail, 漢字日報 (Wah Tew Yat Po), ceased from the 1st August, 1877, but Debts prior to that Date will be received and paid by him.

CHUN AYIN.

Hongkong, April 6, 1878.

NOTICE.

IN Reference to the above, the Undersigned has leased the Chinese Mail from the 1st August, 1877, and has engaged the services of Mr. LIONG YOON CHUN, as Translator and General Manager of the newspaper, which under its new régime will be found to be, as hitherto, an excellent medium for advertising, especially as the Manager is able to devote his whole attention to the conduct of the newspaper.

KONG CHIN.

Leaves of the Hongkong Chinese Mail.

Hongkong, April 6, 1878.

NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

The above has the pleasure to inform his numerous Customers and the Public of Hongkong, that his Photographic Establishment is removed to the Newly-created Commercial Building in Queen's Road Central, next to Messrs. SAMPLER & CO. on Wednesday, April 26, 1878.

To-day's Advertisements.

THEATRE ROYAL,

CITY HALL,

HONGKONG.

DAVE CARSON'S MINSTREL,

Variety and Comedy Company.

CONSISTING OF

EIGHT FIRST-CLASS ARTISTS, viz:

Mr. Geo. Norville,

Mr. J. B. Ferrell,

Mr. F. Stewart,

and

DAVE CARSON.

Mrs. Carson,

Mrs. Norville,

and

ETTA.

Previous to their departure

FOR ENGLAND

and after a most successful Tour in

CHINA AND JAPAN,

intend giving a Choice Selection of their

UNIQUE ENTERTAINMENTS,

commencing on

MONDAY (Next),

JULY 2nd.

See Programme in Monday's Issue.

DAVE CARSON,

Sole Proprietor.

Hongkong, June 28, 1878.

MONTHLY SERVICE.

FOR COOKTOWN, SYDNEY AND

MELBOURNE,

Taking Cargo and Passengers for all Aus-

tralian and New Zealand Ports,

TASMANIA, NEW CALEDONIA & FIJI

The Australian Steam

Navigation Co.'s Steamship

"OCEAN,"

EDMONDSON, Commander,

due here from Foochow on the 30th Inst.,

will be despatched as above on WEDNES-

DAY, the 3rd July, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

GEO. R. STEVENS & Co.,

Agents.

Hongkong, June 28, 1878.

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HONGKONG VOLUNTEERS.

ORDINARY ROOM, 27th June, 1878.

FROM the 1st of JULY and until FURTHER ORDERS PARADES will take place Mornings and Evenings THREE TIMES a WEEK, namely, TUESDAY, WEDNESDAYS, and THURSDAYS, on which it is requested that each Member will ATTEND AT LEAST ONE DRILL.

On WEDNESDAY AFTERNOONS ALL are requested to attend for Company and Squad Drill with Rifles and Bayonets. WHITE UNIFORM and FORAGE CAPS to be worn, unless otherwise ordered.

On TUESDAYS and THURSDAYS Gun Drill and Squad Drill as usual, but Members desirous of attending Drill daily, at present, can do so by giving their names to the SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.

Hours for Parade SAME AS PRESENT.

Members who have received their Clothing, Arms, and Accoutrements will be good enough to sign for the same in a Book kept for that purpose in the Ordinary Room, before THURSDAY next, the 4th proximo.

T. C. DEMPSTER,

Captain 28th Regiment,

Commandant H. K. V.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

FURNITURE SALE.

J. AMMERT, ATKINSON & CO.

have received instructions to sell

by Public Auction, on

TUESDAY.

2nd July, 1878, at 3 o'clock p.m., at

No. 8, West Terrace,

The Property of a Gentleman changing Residence,—

THE CHINA MAIL.

to their final resting place at the heart. Arrived there their development is perfect, and the embryos of filariae are produced in countless numbers. Dr Manson, in concluding his articles, devotes considerable space to a consideration of the theory, which he is inclined to set up, that leprosy may also be spread through the medium of the mosquito.

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

[SUPPLIED TO THE "CHINA MAIL."]

(By Southern Route.)

LONDON, 25th June, 1878.

The European Congress has agreed in principle on the Bulgarian question, and the settlement is fixed.

It has been agreed that in nine months the Russians retreat from Bulgaria and Roumania.

LONDON, 26th June, 1878.

At the European Congress the Turks have reserved their present attitude. The Congress will terminate in three weeks and reassemble in the Autumn to ratify the agreements.

Lord George Hamilton, M.P., the Under Secretary of State for India, in reply to a question said that the English Government ratified the Chafou Convention, with the exception of the clauses concerning the collection of the Lekim Duty upon Opium and the limits of the area to be exempted from the Tax. These points are now under consideration.

OBITUARY.

Charles Mathews.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The S. S. *Fang-tze* arrived from Canton to-day and went to Kowloon Dock.

The various men-of-war in port dressed ship-to-shore, and salutes were fired at noon to commemorate the coronation of Her Majesty the Queen.

The landlady of the house, in which the murder was committed at Tank Lane, received a reward of \$10 from the Government, and the widow of the murdered man was informed by His Lordship, the Acting Chief Justice, that he would consider her case.

We hear that Messrs Atwell Coxon and J. J. Francis have been elected to fill the captaincies, and Messrs John Grant and H. G. James to be lieutenants, in the Hongkong Volunteer Corps. If the names be correct, as we have every reason to believe they are, the Volunteers may be generally congratulated upon their choice.

We learn from Tamsui, by advices of 22nd, that the Rev. G. L. Mackay, of the Canada Presbyterian Mission, was married on the 27th May, at the British Consulate, to a Miss Ch'ang Mia Ts'oung, a native of North Formosa; before a large crowd of spectators. This is supposed to be the first instance where a missionary in China has taken unto himself a "daughter of the land." The young lady is said to be talented; she is a convert.

At the Supreme Court yesterday, the prisoners Wong Achun and Chan Afat, who were sentenced to two years' hard labour, were also sentenced to be flogged, 25 strokes each. The men who assisted in arresting the prisoners were commanded by His Lordship and informed that their conduct would be brought to the notice of H. E. the Governor with a view to their being rewarded.

"Dr" Dave Carson arrived by the steamer *Menelus* this afternoon, with his troupe, from Shanghai, and will, as is his wont, lose no time in bringing himself and his comical prescriptions to the notice of the public. Dave's performances are sufficiently well known, and his long run in Shanghai will strengthen the confidence felt in his profession capabilities. His entertainments will be varied on this occasion by operettas, farces, and comediettas.

Mr. Francis, instructed by Messrs Stephens and Holmes, applied to have dissolved a writ of foreign attachment, taken out in a suit brought by one Lo Chev Fan and another versus Chun Tai Yuk. The learned counsel said that his clients were only the consignees of two cases of treasure which had been attached, the treasure being the property of several passengers by the O. & O. steamer *Gastie*, who had consigned it to the Man Sing Hong for safe keeping. The application was granted.

The British brig *Mosquito*, Captain Miles, put back here to-day, owing to her having experienced light and adverse winds. She left this on the 18th ultime, bound for Melbourne, and has thus been 42 days away from the port nearly sufficient time

for her to have reached her destination under favorable auspices. She had got as far as the eleventh degree of north latitude, when the Captain determined to turn back, as there appeared to be little or no prospect of her being able to proceed. The amount of provisions on board would not have justified the Captain in trusting to the chance of obtaining a fair wind, and he very wisely put back. She will proceed again as soon as she has been properly provisioned and will take the eastern passage.

HEDGE & Co.'s Weekly Shipping Report, Fagoda Anchorage, 22nd June, 1878.—

Arrivals During the Week.—June 15, Kwang Tung, from Hongkong; 16, Orestes, from Shanghai; 16, Uzziah, from Hongkong; 19, Ocean, from Hongkong; 21, Jessie McDonald, from Hongkong; 21, Douglas, from Hongkong; 21, Burmese, from Hongkong; 21, Caldera, from Hongkong; 21, Countess of Errol, from Hongkong; 21, Alex. Newton, from Hongkong.

Departures During the Week.—June 15, Tah Yew, for Shanghai; 16, Brisbane, for Sydney; 16, Yeso, for Hongkong; 17, Peri, for Tientsin; 17, Cuba, for Tientsin; 18, Orestes, for London; 19, Europa, for Shanghai; 19, Kwang Tung, for Hongkong; 19, State of Alabama, for London; 20, Egeria, for London and Hamburg; 20, Georgina, for Colonies.

Shipping in Port.—Black Prince, Oxfordshire, Cyphene, E. M. Young, Historian, Rio Loge, Uzziah, Ocean, Jessie McDonald, Douglas, Burmese, Caldera, Countess of Errol, Alex. Newton.

Police Intelligence.
(Before C. V. Creagh, Esq.)

28th June, 1878.

ATTEMPTED SUICIDE.

Kom Aohai, a widow, aged 31, was charged with attempting to commit suicide by taking opium. She stated that the charge was true; she attempted it in consequence of poverty. She came to Hongkong in February and lived in Tuk Hing Lane. Her brother, who is a water-carrier, supported her, but she considering that he earned only enough to support one person, determined that she would no longer be a burden to him, so had resolved to destroy herself. Remanded until the 2nd proximo.

ANOTHER CASE.

Tsang Afun, a widow, was charged with a similar offence. She admitted the charge and stated that she made the attempt owing to poverty. Ordered to be sent to her native place.

China.

Foochow.

(Herald.)

Mr Skatchkov, Russian Consul-General in China, arrived in port, on an official visit, a few days ago, and left for the North S. S. *Europa* on the 13th instant.

The responsibility attaching to the charge of French interests at this port will, we hear, be shortly transferred to Mr Fletcher, who held office for some time prior to appointment of the present acting consul.

Under the dismal heading "A Groom from the Ice House," Mr Begley has sent us a letter which we much pleasure in publishing. His case seems a hard one, but we trust that increased patronage will enable him to carry out the enterprise in which he has embarked.

We understand that Wu Tsan-ch'eng, at present Imperial Commissioner at the Mamol Arsenal, and lately appointed Acting Governor of this province, has applied for permission to remain at the former post. From this, it is evident that the gubernatorial functions are not at the moment very attractive to seekers of high office. The embarrassed condition of the provincial exchequer may account in some measure for His Excellency's unwillingness to accept the office.

We are glad to learn that the Viceroy has at last consented to receive consular representatives of Foreign Powers in a more representative manner than hitherto. One of the resident Consuls paid a visit to His Excellency a few days ago, at the viceroyal palace, on which occasion the *middle gates* were, we understand, opened to the official in question. We are also informed, on good authority, that the Viceroy at the same time expressed a wish to cultivate friendly personal relations with the Consuls, if this is really the desire of His Excellency, he has certainly—though at the eleventh hour—set to work in the right way.

The twenty-first vessel built at Mamol Arsenal was launched yesterday. She has been named the *Chao Woo*, and in point of construction is not possessed, so far as we can learn, of any special quality whatsoever, beyond the main characteristic of Mamol-built vessels—coddliness and general unfitness for any conceivable work. The reflection that public money is wasted and local trade over-taxed to support an establishment which is confessedly an utter failure is far from pleasant, more particularly at a time when China needs every cent of revenue in aid of her starving northern population. It is necessary, however, at intervals to demonstrate to the world that this great Franco-Chinese enterprise is a reality—hence these occasional additions to a so-called fleet, which is, and has been throughout, a source of embarrassment to the native Government and of ridicule in outside circles.

An unusual amount of sickness amongst the inhabitants of the city and suburbs is said to be prevalent just now, probably owing to the oppressively sultry weather of the past week. In order, we suppose, to propitiate the gods and pacify the devils, a "Joss" procession was organised on the night of the 16th inst.; and all that we can add is, that if the gods love noise and demons fear it, the display of Tuesday night was a mighty success. It is not idle exaggeration to state that these unashed sons of Han covered at least a portion of the Foreign Settlement into Pandemonium, noisy from 11 p.m. of the 16th to 5 a.m. the following day. Especially vigorous were the gong-beaters, and drummers, while troops of leather-junged coolies, accompanied by an admiring crowd of juvenile riff-raff, escort the tawdry timbrelled idols through the streets of Nantai. We are under the impression that these "Joss" processions are forbidden by the Chinese

authorities. In any case, they might, we think, with advantage be confined to the strictly native quarter.

From a usually well-informed source we learn that the horrors of famine in Shanxi have been intensified by the extensive cultivation of that poppy. The plant is said to occupy more than one half of the arable land of the province, and this, in defiance of Chinese, is secretly encouraged by the provincial officials, who, it is alleged, derive a splendid income through winkling at the illegality. Exeter Hall rathers on mortality might possibly find it to their advantage to sound Knob ta-jaen on this subject before casting wholesale charges against their own countrymen in connection with traffic in the Indian drug.

Cattle, Caiman, Perim, Dago and Aloha; Sailing vessels *Coriolanus, Ambassador, Cutty Sark and Windhofer.* The *Coriolanus* was to leave yesterday.

Imports.—The dulness in the market for manufactured goods, noticed in the last report, still continues, and the sales reported are so small as to be scarce worth recording.

Cotton Goods.—In Grey Shirtings, the only sale reported has been 400 pieces 33 lbs., "Hand and Branch" shop, at Tls. 1.71, but dealers will not now offer within 2 a 3 yards of this price. A small sale of Figured Orleans at Tls. 2.35 per piece is reported.

Metal.—Lead. Sales of this article have been made in barter for Tea at about Tls. 4.70 per picul, and it has been resold by the native dealers at Tls. 4.40 a Tls. 4.50.

Opium.—Prices for Malwa have further advanced in sympathy with Indian rates. Transactions for the fortnight have been fair. *Malwa*—New, Tls. 590 a 600 per picul. Old, Tls. 600 a 610 per picul. *Palna*—Old and New, Tls. 455 a 470 per chest.

French barque Leonie, 484, to Bangkok and back, \$2,100 in full, 38 lay days.

British steamer America, 563, to Singapore and Penang, \$2,750 in full.

British steamer Charlton, 788, to Saigon and back, 19 cents per picul, 12 lay days.

British steamer Fernambuco, 643, Saigon to Hongkong, 16 cents per picul, 10 lay days, and to Saigon and back (3 trips), 19 cents per picul, 12 1/2 lay days.

German barque Esmeralda, 787, to Yokohama (original cargo of Coals), \$1.25 per ton of 20 wt.

For New York.—H. G. Johnson.

For San Francisco.—Nevins, Sir Charles Napier.

For Portland, Or.—*Belle of Oregon.*

DEPARTURES.—From Whampoa.—For London and New York.—None.

From Hongkong.—For London.—*Devastation, Antonio*, str. *Oreto*, str.

For New York.—*N. L. W.*

For San Francisco.—*P. J. Carlton*, *Great Admiral*.

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Messrs Deacon & Co.'s Canton Market Report, dated Canton, 27th June, says:

A moderate business has been passing in our Tea market during the past fortnight.

Congou.—There has been only a small quantity for these, and a few piculs of good medium to fine tea, amounting to 1,100 boxes, have changed hands at Tls. 22 a 23 per picul; in addition to these, some contracts are reported for special orders but particulars have not transpired.

At Macao considerable contracts have been made in common grades costing from Tls. 10 a 12 per picul.

Scented Tea.—During the first week of the fortnight, very few settlements in Canton took place, but latterly a fair amount of transactions have been recorded; buying has not been at all general, but by far the greater portion of the purchases given below having been made by one firm.

Prices show no material alteration, as scented flower has been too dear and scarce to allow of natives offering their tea at reduced rates, although leaf can now be obtained at rather easier terms.

Pekoe has again been little enquired for, and prices, for the few settlements made, show a slight decline on former rates; "short tea" leaves have been bought at Tls. 14, and "long leaf" kinds at Tls. 24 a 25 per picul.

The following is a summary of the fortnight's business:

Congou.—22,000 boxes at Tls. 22 a 24 per picul; Scented Camellia, 22,000 boxes at Tls. 14 a 27 per picul; Scented Orange Pekoe, 1,800 boxes at Tls. 14 a 25 per picul.

Export of the various descriptions of Tea shipped from Canton Waters (ion. Kong, Canton and Macao) to Great Britain to date:—June 8, S. S. *Sindu*, Congou 60,720 lbs., S. Capr. 90,500 lbs., S. O. Peckoe 28,050 lbs., sorts 5,565 lbs., total 155,104 lbs.; 11, S. S. *Dentos*, ion. Congou 161,708 lbs., sorts 116,682 lbs., S. O. Peckoe 22,263 lbs., sorts 4,608 lbs., total 335,219 lbs.; 15, S. S. *Tubet*, Congou 101,021 lbs., S. Capr. 267,621 lbs., S. O. Peckoe 92,162 lbs., total 450,804 lbs.; 17, S. S. *Antenor*, Congou 252,923 lbs., S. Capr. 44,375 lbs., S. O. Peckoe 35,553 lbs., total 324,858 lbs.—Making, with previous shipments, total for the season of 6,30,587 lbs.; against 4,254,636 for season 1877-78.

Silk.—Various causes, namely, the receipt of news by Telegram advising a dull market at home, improved prospects of the European crop, and the still unsettled state of political affairs, have tended to induce inactivity here, and the consequence has been a very restricted business.—198 bales of Taishie real were reported taken in the first week of the fortnight, and since then only 45 bales are said to have been purchased. Notwithstanding the absence of demand, holders of silk in the country continue to ask the same rates as heretofore, but stocks are steadily increasing, and it will be necessary for them to considerably modify their present ideas, if they expect an early resumption of business to any extent; of second crop some 800 to 400 bales are said to be in the city; silk of this yield appears to be of fair quality, and the color is an improvement on that of the preceding crop. There is an unusual proportion of yellow thread.

Long-silk have only been in limited demand. Settlements 90 piculs, and 30 bales of different sorts.

Re-reels.—174 bales of best, and Nos. 1, 2 & 3 Cumbuck and Lucklow, 30 bales Kowkong and 100 bales of inferior sorts.

Waste.—Settlements 100 a 200 bales.

Underneath are prices asked.

Export of Silk.—Export to date:—To London, 898 bales; to Continent, 577 bales; to America, 226 boxes; to Bombay, 290 piculs; total, 1,473 bales, 226 boxes, and 290 piculs. Of Waste, 783 bales for Europe.

German barque Maria, 485, Foochow to Port Elizabeth and Cape Town, £2,000 in full, 20 lay days.

British 3-masted schooner Catherine Madren, 287, Foochow to Adelaide, £900 in full, 30 lay days.

French vessel loading.—For London.—Steamship *Oxfordshire, Cyphene, and Historian*.—For Australia.—Steamship *Ocean*; and sailing vessels *E. M. Young*, *Rio Loge*, *Uxua*, and *Black Prince*.

Vessels expected to load.—For London.—Steamship *Burmese*, and *Mendiculus*.

For Australia.—Steamship *Bowen*, Sailing vessel *Alexander Newton*, *Occident*, *Jesse McDonald*, *Countess of Errol*, *Wm. Manson*, and *Bonita*.



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THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S STEAMSHIP
S. N. D. A., Captain J. REEVES, will leave this on SATURDAY, the 29th June, at Noon.

For further Particulars, apply to
A. LUND, Superintendent.
Hongkong, June 18, 1878 jy29

Occidental & Oriental Steam Ship Company.

TAKING THROUGH CARGO AND PASSENGERS FOR THE UNITED STATES AND EUROPE,

IN CONNECTION WITH THE CENTRAL and UNION PACIFIC AND CONNECTING RAILROAD COMPANIES

AND ATLANTIC STEAMERS.

THE S. S. "GALILEO" will be despatched for San Francisco via Yokohama, on THURSDAY, the 6th July, at 8 p.m., taking Cargo and Passengers for Japan, the United States and Europe. Connection is made at Yokohama, with Steamers from Shanghai.

Freight will be received on Board until 4 p.m. of the 3rd July. PARCEL PACKAGES will be received at the Office until 5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

A REDUCTION is made on RETURN FREIGHT TICKETS.

For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 27, Queen's Road Central.

G. B. EMORY, Agent.

Hongkong, June 17, 1878. jy28

NOTICE.
COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.

STEAM FOR
SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA,
POINT DE GALLE, ADEN, SUEZ, IMAHIA, PORT SAID, NAPLES, AND MARSEILLE;

A. L. O.
BOMBAY, MAHE, ST. DENIS, AND PORT LOUIE.

ON SATURDAY, the 6th July, 1878, at Noon, the Company's S. S. AVA, Commandant HERNANDEZ, with MAILED PASSENGERS, SPECIA, and CARGO, will leave this Port for the above places.

Cargo and Specia will be registered for London as well as Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted until Noon.

Cargo will be received on board until 4 p.m., Specia and Parcels until 3 p.m. on the 6th July, 1878. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.)

Contents and value of Packages are required.

For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

H. DU POUHEY, Agent.

Hongkong, June 24, 1878. jy6

Notices to Consignees.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

S. S. AMAZONE.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNNEES of Cargo per S. S. AMAZONE, from London, in connection with the above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods shall be landed and stored at their risk at the Company's Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on, unless intimation is received from the Consignee, before To-day, the 24th Instant, at Noon, requesting it to be landed here. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned.

Goods remaining unclaimed after SATURDAY, the 26th Instant, at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

H. DU POUHEY, Agent.

Hongkong, June 24, 1878. jy29

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With Possession on the 1st August.

A COMMODIOUS HOUSE in Chancery Lane, Gas and Water Laid. Apply to C. A. OZORIO, No. 47, Wyndham Street.

Hongkong, June 25, 1878. jy1

TO LET.

In the Houses on MARINE LOT 65, formerly known as the Blue Houses, situated on Praya East.

HOUSE No. 2, Praya East. The basement, together with First Floor, or separate if desired, with possession on the 1st July.

HOUSE No. 3, Praya East. The whole House or in Flats, with possession on the 1st of August.

As also,

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Apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO.

Hongkong, June 27, 1878.

TO LET.

HOUSE No. 9, Queen's Road Central, with Godowns attached. Houses No. 2, and 3, Seymour Terrace.

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Hongkong, January 4, 1878.

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MELCHERS & CO., Agents, Royal Insurance Company.

Hongkong, October 27, 1874.

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Hongkong, July 6, 1875.

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Proposals for Life Assurances will be received, and transmitted to the Directors for their decision.

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Hongkong, January 4, 1872.

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Hongkong, January 4, 1872.

QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant Policies against FIRE to the extent of £40,000 on Buildings, or on Goods stored therein, at current local rates, subject to a Discount of 20% on the Premium.

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Hongkong, July 25, 1872.

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